EXECUTIVE ORDER 93-19

GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

WHEREAS, violence against women cuts across all social, economic, and racial lines; and

WHEREAS, the crime of violence or sexual assault when directed at a woman violates her privacy, dignity, security, rights and humanity; and

WHEREAS, battering of women in their own homes accounts for more injuries to women requiring medical treatment than rape, muggings, and car accidents combined; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence destroys families, contributes to juvenile delinquency, and increases the social service and economic burdens of government,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Fife Symington, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this state, hereby create the Governor's Commission on Violence Against Women and order and direct:

1. The Commission shall

- Coordinate and develop the resources needed to aid the victim of violence or sexual assault;
- Advise the Governor on proposed and existing legislation to protect the victims, ensure their rights, and prosecute the abusers and assailants;
- Educate the public to prevent the spread of violence and sexual assault;
- Conduct a multifaceted campaign to raise public awareness of the nature, consequences, and extent of violence against women in Arizona.
- 2. The Commission shall be appointed by, and serve, without compensation, at the pleasure of the Governor. Active membership will be limited to 30 members. Nominees will apply to the Executive Board and the Executive Board will make recommendations for appointment to the Governor.
- 3. The Governor shall designate from among the membership an executive board and from among the executive board a Chairperson.
- 4. One member of the Executive Board must be a representative of the Governor's Office for Women who will serve as Executive Director.
- 5. The Commission shall meet at the call of the Chairperson, but no less than quarterly.

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6. The Commission shall submit a report of its activities to the Governor no later than November 1 of each year.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix this first day of October in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-three and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Seventeenth.

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE